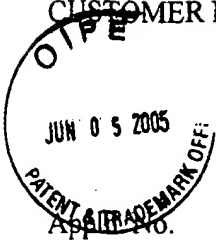


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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Sir:

This Amendment After Final Rejection is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 29, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period for reply is July 29, 2005. Accordingly, this Response is being timely submitted. No other fees are believed due, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. In response to the Final Official Action mailed on April 29, 2005, please find the listing of claims and remarks as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

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